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DELIVERING INHIBITORY RNA

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#### **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

The documents listed below were cited in parent application No. 09/294,022. Copies of these documents are not enclosed, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), so as not to overburden the file wrapper of the present application.

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The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no <u>fee</u> or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialled copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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